(a) the progress made to telecast the T.V. serial 'Bible; and

(b) by when it is likely to be telecast?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFROMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b). The TV serial 'Bible' has been tentatively scheduled for telecast from 9th august, 1992.

Temporary employees in National aluminium company Limited

7078. SHRI K. PRADHANI: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of employee working in the National Aluminium company Limited;

(b) the number of temporary employees in the organisation in each cadre; and

(c) the criteria/ rules applied in making them regular/permanent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) There are 5476 employees working in the National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO) as on 31st march, 1992.

(b) and (c). There is no temporary empoyee working in the organisation and the company does not have rules for making them regular/permanent.

Nomenclature of E.D. Agents

7079. PROF. PREM DHUMAL:
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether change in nomenclature of the Extra Departmental Agents has been demanded by the various postal unions;

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) if not, the time by which the necessary orders are likley to the issued by his Ministry?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes Sir, the unions have demanded a change in the existing nomencature to that of "Grameen Dak karmchari"

(b) The above demand has not been found feasible to accept due to its legal implications as Extra-departmental; Postal Agents are only part time agents of the department where as the proposed name has a different connotation conferring on them the status of departmental employees.

(c) Does not arise in view of the reply to part (b) of the question.

[*Translation*]

Indo-Nepal Agreement on Kosi and Gandak

7080. DR. RAMESH CHAND TOMAR:
SHRI BALRAJ PASSI:
SHRI LALIT ORAON:
SHRI RAMDEW RAM:

Will the Minister of water WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details and date on which agraement was signed between India and Nepal in regard to river Kosi and Gandak;

(b) the extent of irrigation and other facilities avialed by Bihar, U.P. and Nepal; and

(c) the expenditure incurred on the